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## FORTY-FOUR UTAH CITIES AND TOWNS EARN TREE CITY USA DISTINCTION

Forty-four Utah cities and towns have earned the distinction of being a 2005 Tree City USA. Tree City USA is a National Arbor Day Foundation program administered through the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands that encourages the growth and care of our urban forests.

Communities recognized for 2005 include Bluffdale, Brigham City, Cedar City, Clearfield, Draper, Enoch, Ephraim, Grantsville, Highland, Hill Air Force Base, Huntsville, Hurricane, Hyrum, Kaysville, Laketown, Lindon, Logan, Mapleton, Marriott-Slaterville, Milford, Moab, Murray, Ogden, Orem, Park City, Parowan, Payson, Pleasant Grove, Price, Provo, Salt Lake City, Sandy, Smithfield, South Ogden City, South Salt Lake, Spanish Fork, Springville, St. George, Syracuse, Tooele, Wellsville, West Jordan, West Valley City and Woods Cross.

"In addition to the long-time veterans of this program, we continue to see new communities join the ranks of Tree City USA each year," noted State Forester Joel Frandsen. "This year we welcome the communities of Bluffdale, Huntsville, Hurricane, Lindon, Syracuse and Tooele."

Seven communities have also been honored with Tree City USA Growth Awards that recognize their support of tree planting programs with education, public relations, partnerships and budget support. They are Clearfield, Draper, Grantsville, Mapleton, Provo, Salt Lake City and St. George.

To become a Tree City USA, a community must implement a tree board or department, enact a community tree ordinance, budget \$2.00 per capita for tree care and observe Arbor Day each year. The program is co-sponsored by the National Association of State Foresters, USDA Forest Service, National League of Cities and the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

For additional information about the program contact the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 3520, P.O. Box 145703, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116 or phone (801) 538-5555. Information is also available at our website at www.ffsl.utah.gov.

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